

## DESPONDENT YOUTH HAS DISAPPEARED

Goes Away With Declaration  
That He Is Going to Com-  
mit Suicide.

### ASSIGNED FAILURE IN SCHOOL WORK AS MOTIVE

Seburn Richards Disappears  
December 11 and Parents  
Hear Nothing of Him.

Despondent because he was unable to make satisfactory progress in his studies, Seburn Richards, son of F. S. Richards, a farmer of Sand, disappeared from Ogden, December 11, after writing a letter to his sister, Mrs. Mamie Epling, of McGill, White Pine county, Nevada, stating that he was determined to commit suicide. Richards is 23 years of age. Below is the letter sent to his sister the day before he disappeared:

"Dear Sister Mamie—I told you before I left there that I was not to kill myself almost any time, and it has come



SEBURN RICHARDS.

at last. Before this reaches you I will be beneath the sod, I hope.

"It isn't because I am 'busted'; it isn't because I have done anything that I am afraid to face. It is simply because I am tired of living.

"Discouraged in School Work

"The man I am working for don't want me to quit. The manager of the school doesn't want me to quit school, but I have become discouraged with my school work—am such a 'blocky.' I can't learn anything, so have decided to end it all.

"I will go to some place where I am not known and do the deed, but will not tell you where. I will save all the funeral expenses. You have always thought I was about the best one in the family, but you don't know me very well.

"It snowed about a foot here last Sunday and today it has been raining all day and making it slippy as hell.

"Now, sister, for my sake, don't feel bad over this affair. Just think that I am doing what is best for every one. It would have to be, soon or late, and perhaps later I would be married and then it would be worse than ever. Forget me as soon as possible.

"Tell Tom and Wilbur goodbye for me, and then I will bid you my last farewell, forever and forever. Loving brother,

Saturday afternoon the young man's father called at police headquarters and laid the facts before Chief of Police Burlew. The Ogden authorities were immediately notified and a search made for the missing man, but up to midnight no trace of him had been found.

Richards had been working as an elevator boy in the Eccles building and resigned his place December 9. He had been attending a business college, and his acquaintances say he frequently complained of his inability to get ahead in his classes.

"Didn't Drink; Wasn't in Love.

"The last person to see Richards was Ellis Earl, also employed in the Eccles building. Richards told Earl that he was going to his home in Salt Lake. He did not hint at self-destruction.

"My boy did not drink and had no love affairs that I know of," said F. S. Richards, the father, Saturday afternoon at police headquarters. He was of a morose temperament and had talked of committing suicide several times. He was anxious to get an education, but apparently had not made much progress. He worked during the day time and at night he was studying an opportunity to study. His mother resides at Gunnison, Utah.

The Ogden police have had no reports during the past week of any unidentified body here, and it is believed that at 4492 Sixth street, Ogden, The father's address is E. F. D. No. 2201, Sandy, Utah.

All the latest popular convicted fiction and the finest assortment of Holiday Gift Books ever shown in Salt Lake City at D. A. Callahan's, 163 Main St. Open evenings.

GUS GETIS FORMALLY  
CHARGED WITH MURDER

A complaint was issued by the county attorney's office Saturday against Gus Getis, the Greek who slew Andrew Amos about a month ago. Getis is still at large, but a formal complaint has never been made against him.

A complaint was also issued against Harry Christensen, charging him with grand larceny. Christensen is already being bound over to stand trial on a charge of obtaining goods under false pretenses. It is alleged that he secured a large number of Navajo rugs from the Z. M. L. store.

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## STATE TO LEASE LAND IN NATIONAL FORESTS

Believed That Much Revenue  
Will Accrue From Selling  
Grazing Privileges.

Henceforth the state lands within the forest reserves will be administered differently from what they have been in the past. Henceforth there has been an agreement with the national forest service whereby the lands are opened to stockgrowers under the conditions obtaining in the forest department. The state land board has decided to terminate all agreements and handle the lands itself.

Henceforth the lands belonging to the state in the forest reserves will be open for lease to the highest bidder for grazing purposes. Bids will be received at any time and will be opened February 2.

There are approximately 210,000 acres of state lands in the national forests. The members of the board have come to the conclusion that the state will get much better prices under the proposed system. Moreover, the state is now paying the government for looking after the state's interests in the way of guarding the area included within the areas belonging to the commonwealth. Under the new system the state will attend to this work itself.

In sending in bids the applicant for the lease must send a certified check for the amount of the bid, the state will also pay for the execution of the lease.

Of hand-decorated china at Druehl & Frank's this week.

The remains of Mrs. J. H. Jones may be viewed at the residence of J. H. Jones, 564 Wall street, Sunday, from 10 a. m. till 1 p. m.

FUNERAL NOTICE.  
All Eagles are requested to attend the funeral of our late brother, Sam Wolf. Services will be held from the B'nai Israel Temple on Fourth Street, between Second and Third South, at 3 o'clock.

J. J. THOMAS, President.  
M. M. BEAVER, Secretary.

Wanted.  
To buy a seat on the Salt Lake Stock and Mining exchange. Inquire of E. W. Griffiths, care of Child, Cole & Co.

J. H. KENT,  
ARCHITECT.  
Room 625, Newhouse Bldg.

HARR PURCHASES HALF  
INTEREST IN MOXUM

Firm to Be Known as Bartlett  
& Harr; Consideration Is  
Not Mentioned.

H. E. Bartlett, proprietor of the Moxum hotel at Fourth South and State streets, has sold a half interest in his property to Lawrence F. Harr, the well-known cigar dealer of West Second South street. The price paid by Mr. Harr for his interest in the business is not made public. In the future the firm will be known as Bartlett & Harr.

The Moxum was opened for business last September under the management of H. E. Bartlett, who had been a successful restaurant man in Battle. Shortly after the Moxum hotel company was incorporated for \$100,000 by Mr. Bartlett, his father, a brother and Mr. Roberts, a son-in-law of John J. Daly, owner of the property. At the same time a lease, running for ten years, was signed by Mr. Bartlett and the property passed into his control.

By the terms of the lease Mr. Bartlett not only took over the hotel proper, but the cafe, bar, barber shop and the stores on State street. By the terms of his deal with Mr. Harr, it is understood, he has disposed of a full half interest in each of these.

Mr. Harr will continue to conduct his cigar business uptown, while his wife will look after his interests at the hotel. Mr. Bartlett, it is understood, will manage the Moxum cafe and look after other interests, while the management of the hotel proper will be in the hands of Harry Burton, the chief clerk, who for over two years was chief clerk of the hotel. Mr. Burton knows the business thoroughly and is well qualified to manage the hotel. Mrs. Harr, in addition to her other duties, will devote much of her time to the running of the upper part of the hotel.

The Moxum is the latest of the many new hotels of the city to be opened for business, and today heads the list of hotels in the state as the most modern in every respect. Its business is increasing and it is believed that with the erection of the Newhouse hotel at Main and Fourth South streets, and the drawing of business to that locality, the Moxum will be enabled to secure an increase in patronage over that which it now enjoys.

SUSPECTED SAFE CRACKER  
ARRESTED BY THE POLICE

In John Phillips, who was arrested Saturday afternoon by Detective Ed Janney and Howell, the police believe they have one of the men who cracked the safe at the Model Knitting works Friday night. Phillips is a partner in a firm at Ogden, and it is expected that he will be taken into custody within the next twenty-four hours.

When Phillips' room on West Second South street was searched Saturday evening a quantity of fast and expensive tools, including a combination "jimmy" and hammer and other safe-cracking tools were found. Phillips gave a false name and a false address, but it was believed that he had been in the city but a short time. He declined to offer any explanation as to how the tools and fuse came to be in his room. He is being held in custody and a charge will be placed against him Monday.

A private safe may be rented in the safe and burglar-proof vaults of the Salt Lake Security and Trust company, 32 up Main street, \$2.00 per year.

Alexander Optical Co.  
Now at 218 So. Main.

Fourth Annual Exhibit  
Now ready. Shipley's Commercial Photographers, 151 South Main, second floor.

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Carriages and light livery. Phones 51.

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## BOARD OF PARDONS NOT VERY LENIENT

Three Persons Given Freedom,  
While One Obtains Commu-  
tation of Sentence.

### SEVEN APPLICATIONS ARE DENIED BY BODY

John F. Newton, Robert Lanier  
and T. Yamana Ones to  
Draw Pardons.

Apparently the members of the state board of pardons were in no very merciful mood at the regular monthly meeting of that body held at the state prison Saturday. Of the thirteen applications for clemency that were considered there were only three pardons granted, and one prisoner was given a commutation of sentence. Seven applications for pardon were denied, as were also two applications for parole.

John F. Newton, convicted of forgery in the fourth district court of Utah county, and sentenced February 23, 1909, to one year in the state prison, was granted a pardon. Robert Lanier, convicted of attempted burglary in the third district court of Salt Lake county and sentenced December 9, 1905, to seven years in the penitentiary, was also pardoned. T. Yamana, who was sentenced on the November meeting, was pardoned. He was convicted of robbery and sentenced July 3, 1908, to three years.

The ten-year sentence which Abraham Prebber was given after being convicted of grand larceny in the third district court of Salt Lake county, was commuted to five years.

The following applications for pardon were denied:

Alex Wainass, obtaining money under false pretenses, six months in the county jail; Charles C. Ross, burglary in the third degree; William Morgan, grand larceny; Edward Syllus, assault with a deadly weapon; Ben Janett, burglary in the second degree; Edward A. Sorenson, assault with a deadly weapon; Robert Smith, obtaining money under false pretenses.

The applications for parole of Karl Wika, serving sentence for assault with a deadly weapon, and Samuel E. Downen, serving time for a statutory offense, were also denied.

Total bank clearings for the week ending December 18 were well up to the average of the year, with a total of \$7,829,331.48, as compared with a total of \$6,469,113.59 for the corresponding week of last year. The increase is \$1,360,217.89 or an excess of more than 20 per cent. The daily average for the week, therefore, is \$1,118,475.93, or considerably more than \$1,000,000 a day.

The total clearings for Saturday, December 18, were \$1,470,335.53, as compared with a total of \$1,126,652.06 for the corresponding day of last year. The increase here is \$343,683.47, or an excess of about 30 per cent.

Following are the clearings for the past week, in comparison with the corresponding days of last year:

	1909	1908
Dec. 13	\$1,532,707.92	\$1,186,273.50
Dec. 14	1,284,591.29	865,496.77
Dec. 15	1,142,748.12	1,067,268.19
Dec. 16	1,208,142.92	1,164,467.31
Dec. 17	1,259,625.97	1,110,175.41
Dec. 18	1,470,335.53	1,126,652.06
Totals	\$7,829,331.48	\$6,469,113.59
Increases	1,360,217.89	

E. R. WHEELON  
GENERAL CONTRACTOR.  
Office moved to 631 Judge building.  
Bldg 500.

Volunteers of America.  
The Volunteers of America are planning great things for today. Tom Mackey will speak at 10:30, subject: "A Bible Christian." H. S. Stevens will sing. 7:30 subject: "Who Are Christians?" Mrs. Wm. D. Bell will sing. 8:30 subject: "Forgiveness, Sin." Special song service commencing 7:30 to 8:00. Testimonies 8:00 to 8:30. If a stranger in the city, come and end a short time with us—one of the brightest spots in sunny Salt Lake City. 19 Commercial street.

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Burt Beck With Williams.  
Detective Joseph Bart arrived Saturday afternoon from Omaha with Frank Williams, a negro, suspected of complicity in the robbery of the Paris Cleaning company's store, 414 State street. Williams was arrested in Omaha Friday night. Williams is a partner in a firm at Ogden, and it is expected that he will be taken into custody within the next twenty-four hours.

Kodak Pictures Finished.  
Mail your films to us. Salt Lake Photo Supply Co., 177 Main street. Exclusive photo dealers.

Bamberger Improving.  
The condition of Sidney Bamberger, son of former State Senator Simon Bamberger, who was operated upon in the East Friday, is somewhat improved, according to a message received in this city Saturday morning. Mr. Bamberger is suffering from a tumor. Although the young man is reported to be improving, his condition is still serious.

The line of popular copyrighted fiction, pictures and books for juveniles that D. A. Callahan is showing at 656 each are unsurpassed for Xmas gifts. Look them over at 161 Main St. Open evenings.

Strumell, the Gunsmith.  
High-grade repairing. 429 So. Main.

Horoscope.  
By Cosette.  
Sunday, December 19, 1909.

Now by the spirit let the mind be saved.  
This day may ancient breaches whole be made.

On this third day Saturn approaches a position of conjunction with Jupiter, together with the movement of Mars and Jupiter into opposition, the sign astrologically indicates danger from violence, and the danger is not only to the person and unusual effects on land, sea and air.

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## City and Neighborhood

P. T. SLAUGHTERER of Kanosh left for home last evening. Mr. Slaughterer has been in the city on jury duty for some days.

THE MANY FRIENDS of Harry E. Windsor will regret to learn of the recent death of his mother, which occurred in Summit, N. C.

MEMBERS of R. P. Pollock lodge, L. O. B. E., are requested to attend the funeral of Brother S. W. Wood, at Temple B'nai Israel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

NEXT THURSDAY AFTERNOON at 2 o'clock Judge Jones will hear his case for hearing the numerous contested divorce cases. There will be a setting of cases on the equity calendar Friday.

MRS. E. E. E. visiting her brother, Deputy United States Marshal John H. E. E., for a few days. The company is on her way to California for the winter.

MARTIN KELLY, alias Joseph Karish, was sentenced to serve three months in the county jail by Judge T. D. Lewis Saturday. He was found guilty of assaulting John Bosworth of Birmingham Junction with a knife August 17.

THE CO-SALESMEN of James B. McKean and Dr. W. E. Sutter, at the residence of W. E. Sutter, 1661 East Second, Saturday, were invited to attend. Comrades and corps members are invited to attend.

PROTECT THE STORE against shoplifters and customers against pickpockets, the Keith-O'Brien company has engaged a number of detectives to mingle with the customers and keep a close watch on their movements. The work is done so quietly that the customers are unaware of their presence.

JACK AND ALEXANDER JOHNSON were injured in a falling accident Thursday night, as improving according to report given out Saturday. Jack Johnson is the worst injured of the two, and it is believed that he will recover.

ALLAN YOUNG, accused of having fallen from a two-story building, entered a plea of not guilty when arraigned in police court Saturday morning. He was committed to the custody of the sheriff. Young was brought back from Montpelier, Idaho.

GEORGE GUTCHER, two minor clerks of the police court, will leave January 1 to accept a position with the International Life Insurance company in this city. Mr. Gutchler made many friends who will regret to hear of his resignation.

ELLEN DAVIDSON, over the body of Ellen Davidson, who died last week (Sunday) afternoon at 12:30 o'clock, at the family residence, near of 1276 South 7th street, the second wife of George Davidson, was buried in the cemetery at 10 o'clock Saturday.

AN INTERLOCUTORY DECREE of divorce was granted by Judge George G. Armstrong in the district court Saturday. The case of Julia Sanford against Herbert A. Sanford. They were married October 25, 1899, and there are no children. The plaintiff proved desertion on June 12, 1909, and nonsupport since that time.

AN INFANT GIRL was adopted Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. Tony C. Potter. The baby will bear the name of Dorcel Potter. Mr. and Mrs. Potter have been married, reformed all right and claim to the child. The proceedings were in Judge Davidson's court and were in charge of Mrs. A. L. Young of the juvenile court.

THE GOVERNOR has been asked to appoint a representative of the state of Utah to assist in devising ways and means of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg. A meeting of the celebrating committee will be held on the battlefield at a date to be named. The state of Pennsylvania has appointed a commission to attend to this celebration.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON a number of ladies, members of the P. E. O. club, were the guests of Mrs. J. W. Christy in the Bransford apartments to listen to an address by Mrs. C. A. Albright, a parent more real bliss. It is not only a blessing that gives and that receives, but it teaches the young idea how to save and inculcates habits of thrift, whose benefits can scarcely be computed.

Any funds so deposited with us will earn a dividend of 4 per cent by the time Santa Claus comes again, and there is no telling how much may be added to the principal during the year if both parent and child are thrifty.

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Knights of Pythias, Attention.  
Sister Margaret L. Jones, past supreme representative of the Pythian Sisters, died in this city Thursday, 19th inst. Her funeral will be held in Castle hall Sunday afternoon, 19th inst., at 2 o'clock. All grand lodge officers and members of the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters are invited to attend.

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Cornellian File Bonds.  
The official bonds of John B. Moreton and John Holley were filed in the office of city recorder Saturday. These bonds are for \$500 in each case. John B. Moreton and William McLaughlin are sureties on Holley's bond, and Holley and Frank Godbe are sureties on Moreton's bond.

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## TRIES TO COLLECT DEBT; IS STABBED

Cutting Scrape Comes Near Resulting Fatally for Julius Alexander.

### IS STABBED IN BACK AND OVER THE HEART

Harry Cohen, His Assailant, Is Arrested and Lodged in City Jail.

Borrowed money amounting to \$18.50 led to a cutting scrape Saturday evening in front of the Bristol cafe on Main street between Third and Fourth South streets, which came near resulting fatally for Julius Alexander, a salesman employed by the Colonial Jewelry company, 336 South Main street.

Harry Cohen, who did the stabbing, is now confined in the city prison and a charge of assault with a deadly weapon probably will be placed opposite his name on the police register Monday.

Both of the principals were extremely reticent about the affair. Alexander had just finished dinner and was emerging from the cafe when he was attacked by Cohen. The latter stabbed Alexander in the back with an ugly-looking knife, and when the jewelry salesman turned around, Cohen stabbed him again, this time over the heart. The wound was not deep enough to be particularly dangerous, but had the blade penetrated an artery, Alexander would have been instantly killed.

In the struggle that followed the attack, Alexander grasped the blade of the knife and was badly cut about the hands, the thumb of his left hand being severed. Cohen then broke and ran, but was captured by bystanders and turned over to Patrolman James Davidson.

When locked up at the city jail, Cohen declined to make any explanation of the affair. He appeared to be under the influence of liquor. Alexander made no explanation other than that he had tried to collect \$18.50 from Cohen and Alexander's wounds were dressed at the emergency hospital. Though painful, they are not believed to be serious.

The birth rate ran high in Salt Lake the week ending December 17, according to the weekly report of the city board of health. There were born in the week 38 boys and 27 girls, a total of 65.

Scarlet fever continues to lead the list of contagious diseases. In the week 29 cases were reported. Smallpox also showed an increase, 9 cases of that disease being reported to the board.

There were 8 cases of typhoid fever, 7 of chickenpox, 3 of pneumonia, and 1 each of membranous croup and erysipelas.

Eighty-five houses remain in quarantine at the end of the week on account of scarlet fever, 7 on account of smallpox, 1 on account of diphtheria, and 1 on account of typhoid. Six cases of smallpox remain at the isolation hospital.

There were 27 deaths in the week. Of these 12 were males and 15 females. Five bodies were shipped hither for burial.

HOW GOOD YOU FEEL.  
Ever notice how good you feel after doing a benevolent deed, like giving turkeys to the poor, or putting flowers on a loved one's grave, or opening a savings account for your young ones?

Indeed, when it comes to talking out a savings account for the little one it is doubtful if any form of Christmas present can be devised that will afford a parent more real bliss. It not only blesses him that gives and him that receives, but it teaches the young idea how to save and inculcates habits of thrift, whose benefits can scarcely be computed.

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